To Whom it May Concern:

First, I thank you for taking the time to read this message. It means very much to me to know that someone is interested in hearing what I, a voter, have to say.

I would fully understand the argument against XM if it had a reasonably close local competitor. However, at least in the Washington area, there is not a local radio station that provides the same type of information XM Traffic and Weather provides.

Prior to subscribing to XM, I got most of my traffic and weather information from WAMU/NPR local station. But, with approximately 30 seconds per half hour of traffic and weather, WAMU simply does not provide the same information as XM.

I could understand this objection to XM if there were local traffic and weather stations. Yet we all know this simply does not exist in Washington. And, if it does, the company responsible has failed in its advertising campaign because I do not know about it.

We are so lucky to live in a capitalistic society, where consumers have complete power to choose. I choose to pay money so I can receive complete and immediate information on traffic and weather, among other things, and I cannot imagine what Representative of mine would consider curtailing that freedom.

I strongly urge my Representative to oppose the legislation against XM and preserve my right to choose the source of my information.

Again, thank you for your time, and please feel free to contact me should you require additional comment.

Sincerely,

Hillary Rollins